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SUBJECT: GOVERNING BOARD OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY

1. SUMMARY. SIXTEEN OECD GOVERNMENTS NOV. 18 SIGNED AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING INTERNATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM. AT INAUGURAL MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY GOVERNING BOARD WHICH FOLLOWED, GB (A) ELECTED DAVIGNON CHAIRMAN AND LANTZKE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, (B) FORMALLY ADOPTED PROGRAM, (C) MADE DECLARATION ON NEUTRALITY, (D) DECIDED SCHEDULE FOR STANDING GROUPS AND IEA BUDGET COMMITTEE LEADING TO SECOND GB MEETING DEC. 18-19, (E) RECEIVED US PROPOSAL FOR LONG-TERM COOPERATION PROGRAM, AND (F) AGREED TO HEAR NORWEGIAN PROPOSAL FOR ASSOCIATION WITH IEA. END SUMMARY.

2. THE GOVERNING BOARD (GB) OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY (IEA) HELD ITS INITIAL MEETING IN PARIS ON NOVEMBER 18-19 FOLLOWING SIGNATURE OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM AGREEMENT. AUSTRIA, SWEDEN AND SWITZERLAND MADE EXPECTED STATEMENTS CONCERNING COMPATIBILITY OF IEA MEMBERSHIP WITH THEIR NEUTRALITY POLICIES, AND GB (INCLUDING NEUTRALS) RESPONDED WITH DECLARATION THAT NEUTRALS' OBLIGATIONS WERE UNDIMINISHED BY THEIR STATEMENTS. THERE WERE ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS FROM AUSTRIA (ON ITS DOMESTIC STOCK SITUATION), NETHERLANDS (LIMITING APPLICABILITY OF IEP TO ITS EUROPEAN TERRITORY) AND CANADA (RE GOC NEED TO CONSULT WITH PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS BEFORE PARLIAMENTARY CONSIDERATION OF IEP BECAUSE OF PROVINCES' CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES).

3. DAVIGNON (BELGIUM) WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, AND LANTZKE WAS APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF IEA SECRETARIAT. CHAIRMANSIPS OF FOUR STANDING GROUPS WERE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) LONG TERM COOPERATION - US (BOSWORTH);
 - (2) EMERGENCY QUESTIONS - NETHERLANDS (VAN RHIJN);
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(3) OIL MARKET - CANADA (HOPPER); (4) PRODUCER/CONSUMER RELATIONS - UK (WILTON). BUDGET COMMITTEE WILL ELECT ITS OWN CHAIRMAN. GOVERNING BOARD DID NOT RESOLVE QUESTION OF ITS OWN VICE CHAIRMANSIPS, FOR WHICH FIVE NAMES WERE PROPOSED--TOWE (CANADA), YOSHINO (JAPAN), ROHWEDDER (GERMANY), THUYSBAERT (BELGIUM), AND BOBLETER (AUSTRIA). MATTER WILL BE TAKEN UP AGAIN AT NEXT GB MEETING. FORMATION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WAS POST-

PONED FOR 2-3 MONTHS.

4. GOVERNING BOARD AGREED THAT DECISION ON ORGANIZATION OF IEA SECRETARIAT WILL BE TAKEN UP AT NEXT GB MEETING. BUDGET COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL MEET IN INTERIM WILL ALSO TAKE UP QUESTION OF SECRETARIAT'S ORGANIZATION AS PART OF ITS BUDGET REVIEW.

5. ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS MADE STRONG STATEMENT ON NEED FOR RAPID ORGANIZATION OF LONG-TERM COOPERATION PROGRAM (US PROPOSAL TRANSMITTED SEPTEL). HE STRESSED NEED FOR IEA TO ESTABLISH (1) SET OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES RELATED TO IEA GOAL OF REDUCING DEPENDENCE ON IMPORTED OIL, (2) TARGETS BY WHICH PERFORMANCE IN THIS REGARD MIGHT BE MEASURED, AND (3) ANNUAL REVIEW IN IEA OF MEMBER COUNTRY ENERGY POLICIES. ENDERS ALSO SET OUT ELEMENTS OF A COOPERATIVE WORK PROGRAM THAT COVERED SHORT AND LONGER TERM CONSERVATION GOALS, THE

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DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ENERGY SUPPLIES, ENERGY R & D
ACTIVITIES, AND NUCLEAR ENRICHMENT.

6. WITH REGARD TO NEW ENERGY SOURCES ENDERS PROPOSED
THAT WORK PROGRA INCLUDE POSSIBLE CREATION OF COMMON
FUND TO FINANCE AND/OR GUARANTEE INVESTMENTS IN THE
DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ENERGY. HE ALSO NOTED NEED TO TACKLE
DIFFICULT PROBLEM OF PROTECTING THESE INVESTMENTS FROM
THREAT OF A DECLINE IN PRICE OF IMPORTED OIL. IN
R & D FIELD ENDERS CITED NEED FOR FOLLOW-THROUGH ON
TEN PROJECTS INCLUDED IN REPORT OF ECG AD HOC GROUP AND
LISTED IN IEP AGREEMENT. HE ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT IEA
INITIATE ONE OR MORE R & D PROJECTS WITH HIGHLY VISIBLE
SCIENTIFIC AND PRACTICAL IMPACT. HE INCLUDED AS
POTENTIAL PROGRAMS IN THIS CATEGORY PROJECTS RELATED TO
NUCLEAR FUSION, NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY, COAL TECHNOLOGY,
HYDROGEN, AND ENERGY SYSTEM ANALYSIS. ON ENRICHED
URANIUM ENDERS PROPOSED THAT AN AD HOC GROUP BE SET UP
TO REPORT BY YEAR END ON FUTURE SUPPLY/DEMAND SITUATION
FOR BOTH NATURAL URANIUM FEED AND ENRICHMENT SERVICES.
GOVERNING BOARD AGREED THAT US STATEMENT ON LONG TERM
COOPERATION AND COMMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY OTHER IEA
COUNTRIES WOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR DISCUSSION OF INITIAL

WORK PROGRAM OF STANDING GROUP ON LONG TERM COOPERATION.

7. DAVIGNON ANNOUNCED THAT NORWEGIANS HAD INFORMED HIM THEY ARE PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE BINDING AGREEMENT WITH AGENCY. IT WAS AGREED THAT DAVIGNON AND LANTZKE SHOULD HEAR OUT NORWEGIAN PROPOSALS IN BRUSSELS AND REPORT BACK TO GOVERNING BOARD AT NEXT MEETING.

8. GOVERNING BOARD AGREED ON FOLLOWING SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS--ALL TO BE HELD IN PARIS--OVER COMING WEEKS:

NOV. 25-26 - STANDING GROUP ON EMERGENCY QUESTIONS

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DEC. 3-5 - STANDING GROUP ON LONG TERM
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COOPERATION (SLT)

WEEK OF - STANDING GROUP ON PRODUCER/CONSUMER

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WEEK OF - STANDING GROUP ON OIL MARKET (SOM)

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DEC. 9-10 - BUDGET COMMITTEE

DEC. 17 - STANDING GROUP ON LONG TERM COOPERATION

DEC. 18-19 - GOVERNING BOARD

9. SEPTTEL REPORTS DISCUSSION ON PREPARATIONS FOR PRODUCER/CONSUMER DIALOGUE. COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT CONCLUSION OF FIRST DAY'S MEETING ALSO TRANSMITTED BY SEPTTEL.
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